Lisa
Simone
my world

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1. Let It All Go

Lisa Simone : lyrics | *Hervé Samb* : music

Doesn't matter how I feel I can't do nothin' about it
Cuz it's happening anyway
Doesn't matter how I feel about it
Doesn't matter how much I fight with myself
Can't do nothin about it

The moment I awaken I feel this tightness in my chest
Can't help but count down the days I have left
I lay there conflicted fighting with myself
All I can do is be still and take deep breaths

Chorus

Throughout the day I feel the ball of fear
That's always with me, it never fully goes away
It's a struggle not to give in to the tears
That are always near while my heart races

Bridge
The voice in my head keeps saying
What I feel comes at a price
I'm tired of paying
But that vision of me determined
To hold on to control
Already knows
I gotta let it all go

2. Unconditionally

Lisa Simone : lyrics | *Hervé Samb* : music

When I had my little girl it changed my life
Overnight, literally
She's my world and everytime I look at her
I find myself smiling and staring

And I have to wonder if every mother
Feels the same as me, yeah
It's such an honor and it feels so good
Just to love and be loved in return

Unconditionally, I'm learning
Unconditionally, how to love
Unconditionally, and I like it
Yes I like it, yeah,

When I think of this world
I know that it starts with a change of heart, literally
Our world needs us to make some different decisions
To improve our living conditions

And I wonder where are the others
Who feel the same as me, yeah
Our great mother needs us to come together
Got to love one another

Unconditionally, we've got to come together
Unconditionally, and learn to love
Unconditionally, each other, it's alright

3. Expectations

Lisa Simone : lyrics/music

Tired of saying
The same thing
Over and over and over again
Tired of complaining
Nagging you
Hoping that you'll understand

Expectations versus reality
Always gets the better of me
Expectations versus reality
Always leaves me open to anything

Getting' tired of saying
The same things
Over and over and over again
Tired of complaining
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4. I Pray

RéAnna Simone : lyrics
Lisa Simone : lyrics/music | *Hervé Samb* : music

Time after time, oh lord, I fall
And time after time again I work through it all
I need some guidance this present day
I need the works of heaven, and I pray

And so I pray for good fortune,
I pray for the people in pain
I pray for everyone crying once again
And I pray for all those fighting for their lives
I pray for everyone crying themselves to sleep at night
And I pray

And I pray **(pray)**, I pray **(pray)**,
And I pray **(pray)**, I pray **(pray)**
***repeat

Time after time, I fall
And time after time I work through it all
I need your love this present day
I need a miracle, and I pray

I pray for the children
I pray for the people in pain
And I pray for everyone blinded by their own suffering
I pray for all those fighting for their rights
And I pray for everyone who goes to sleep hungry at night

I pray everyday, for all those suffering
I pray that you'll ease their pain
I pray for the children, for good fortune
Everyday, I pray and I pray
I pray

5. I've Learned

Lisa Simone : lyrics/melody
Hervé Samb : music

I've learned to dance
I've learned to dance
In the winds of change

They don't scare me
They don't scare me
It's who I am

6. My World

Lisa Simone : lyrics/music

Imagine a world
Full of hearts and butterflies
Beautiful flowers sunshine all the time
Lady bugs and blue skies
Summer rain that falls ever so lightly
Against the backdrop of a starry night

I imagine a world where we co-exist
With integrity, civility
And a universal understanding
We have to nurture mother earth
So she can in turn give us what we need

This is what I see in my world

In my world we love one another
We don't have to think about it we just do it
In my world things are so much simpler
Cause we're connected to what's real

Imagine a world
Full of laughter and compassion
Fulfillment in every way
No need to be afraid of anything
In this place prosperity reigns supreme
There's no suffering cause nobody knows
The meaning of pain

I imagine a world
Where we live in peace and harmony
There's no shame, no blame no tears no fear
There are no worries no regrets
Only joy and contentment here

7. If You Knew

Nina Simone : lyrics/music

If you knew how I missed you
You would not stay away today
Don't you know how I need you
Stay here my dear with me

I need you here my darling
Together for a day, a day
Together never parting
Just you , just me, my love

I can't go on without you
Your love is all I'm living for
I love all things about you
Your heart, your soul, my love

I need you here beside me
Forever and a day, and a day
I know what ere betides me
I love you, I love you, I do

8. Ode To Joe

Lisa Simone : lyrics/music | *Hervé Samb* : music

This is my ode to Joe
I was too young too blind to see
To recognize that you needed me
My ode to Joe

I can't change what happened
I can't take away the pain
I can't say I'm sorry enough,
And I can't change what was

When you see me you feel many things
The conflict ebbs and flows
I know that you love me but at the same time
You blame me for all your woes

I can't change what happened,
I can't take away the pain
I can't say I'm sorry enough,
And I can't change what was

When we speak we feel many things
The conflict ebbs and flows
We love each other but at the same time
I have to admit it's complicated

I can't change it, I can't change it, I can't change it

This is my ode to Joe
I was too young to blind to see
To recognize that you needed me
My ode to Joe

9. Tragique Beauty

Lisa Simone : lyrics | *Hervé Samb* : music

She came as a great wind
With gusts that sent leaves flying
Trees swayed, leaves played
As she lay dying

For many years she searched for peace
Always said she was a reincarnated Egyptian queen
The leaves made patterns in the air
Tragique beauty

Tragique beauty you're free now, free to fly
Tragique beauty you're free now to fly on the wind
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She came as a storm
To let me to know I was not alone
She was riding the winds of change, she came
For many years she shined bright
Always said she was ahead of her time
The leaves made patterns in the air
Tragique beauty

The trees swayed, the leaves played

It was easter sunday 2003 when I got the call
I was told she didn't have long
Later that same day outside with my dogs
This wind kicked up, it was so strong
I knew exactly who it was
She wanted me to know "baby, you'll never walk alone"
Then she rode the winds home to freedom

10. Hold On

Lisa Simone : lyrics | *Hervé Samb* : music

Each morning when I wake up
I look out my window and wonder what's in store
I have the chance to make a difference
Last thing I want to do is ignore
The signs that are all around me
And the blessings that abound

Said, sometimes I get scared I'm just plain tired

I wish to state clearly how I'm feeling
Without appearing ungrateful
But I'm feeling so vulnerable today
Been fighting this good fight for too long
And now that I'm done what do I do
Now all that I've fought for awaits me

Want you to know that sometimes I get scared
I'm just plain tired

I don't want this, I didn't create this, I need guidance
Said the pressure's too much but I gotta be thankful
In the midst of it all
I don't want this, I didn't create this, I need guidance

Sometimes I get tired

But I gotta hold on, I gotta hold on, I gotta hold on
Sometimes don't you know I get so scared
I gotta keep holdin' on

I don't want this I didn't create this I need guidance
Said the pressure's too much but I gotta be thankful
In the midst of it all
I don't want this I didn't create this I need guidance
Yes I do the pressure's too much

But I gotta hold on I gotta keep holdin' on
When my palms are bleeding
I gotta keep holdin' on

Got to hold on, hold on to my dreams
Hold on when my palms are bleeding
Hold on, don't you know I'm not alone
I gotta hold on

11. This Place

Lisa Simone : lyrics/music

T'was a lifetime ago
I sat in this place crying
Wondering what I was gonna do
With you gone, gone

Sat on the living room couch
With a broken heart
Trying to wrap my mind around the fact
For the first time in my life
I was alone

Now I can fly
From the very place
That represented so much pain
It's gone, gone

My heart sings a sweet melody
I've got a spring in my step
Shining the light of love on me

My heart sings a sweet melody
I've got a spring in my step
Shining the light of love on me

Now I'm flying high
It's my time to shine
The light of love on others

I'm flying so high
It's my time to shine the light
From this very place

There's no more pain
There's no more pain
In this place

I'm gonna shine so bright
From this place
It's my home where i belong
In this place
I'm gonna shine, shine my light

From this place
Gonna shine my light shine it bright
For the world to see
In this place there's no more pain
It's all gone, it's my base, it's my peace
Yeah

From this place
Gonna shine my light for the world to see
In this place
I'm home

12. Work Song

Lisa Simone : lyrics/music

GRATITUDE

T'was a lifetime ago, I decided to make singing a profession,
and I prayed for the ability to inspire love and positivity in others,
from the stage, through the example of my own life.
Today, MY WORLD makes good on that prayer.
From heartbreak to resurrection, MY WORLD explores the multi-layered experience
we all have in common : LIFE.

TO THE MANY who played pivotal roles in bringing MY WORLD into this one :
THAAAAAANK YOUUUUUHOOOOO !!!
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humor, camaraderie, positivity, ideas, time, effort,
availability, support, and dedication to staying the course,
made what has been a long held vision, an awesome reality !

May MY WORLD touch hearts and souls collectively, with the light of love, and healing.

"In My World we love one another…cause we're connected to what's real".

From my heart to yours, in warmth and gratitude,

Lisa

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Additional Musicians

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Irvin Acao tenor sax on 2, 9, 10
Sylvain Gontard trumpet on 2, 7, 9, 10
Karen Jeauffreau violin on 3, 5, 6, 11
Jacques Gantard violin on 3, 5, 6, 11
Raphaël Aubry violin on 3, 5, 6, 11
Florence Hennequin cello on 3, 5, 6, 11
and... *RéAnna Simone* vocals on 4
and not to forget... *The "Extraordinary Pompignan Orchestra" :*
Rob, RéAnna, Lisa, Hervé, Sonny, Céline, Boris finger snaps & chanting on 4

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